

REMARKS

Claims 1-8 are pending in this application, of which claim 1 is independent. Applicants submit that by the present Remarks, this application is placed in clear condition for immediate allowance.

Information Disclosure Statement

The Office Action stated, "The Information Disclosure Statement applicants claim to have filed July 22, 2005 has [not] been acknowledged because it has not been receive" (page 2 of the Office Action). The copy of the IDS filed July 22, 2005, the cited reference, and the stamped postcard are submitted herewith. Applicants, therefore, respectfully request the Examiner to clarify the record by acknowledging receipt of the IDS when reviewed and provide a copy of the PTO-1449 form appropriately initialed indicating consideration of the cited reference.

Claims 1-3, 5, and 6 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by Fujimori.¹

The Examiner asserted that Fujimori discloses an optical component and projector identically corresponding to what is claimed. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Applicants submit that Fujimori et al. does not identically disclose a projection type video display including all the limitations recited in independent claim 1. Specifically, Fujimori does not disclose, at a minimum, "an ion wind generator for generating air flow by... drawing ions generated by the ionization by an electrode on the other side," as recited in the claim.

¹ The Office Action indicates, "Claims 1-8 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b)..." (see page 2 of the Office Action). However, Applicants presume that claims 1-3, 5, and 6 are rejected in the context the rejection.

It appears that the Examiner asserted, referring to a “filter arranged at the ventilation passage of the second cooling fan 620,” that the claimed ion wind generator is disclosed in Fujimori. However, the reference simply describes, “This second cooling fan 620 is a sirocco fan for creating an air flow from the interior to the outside of chassis 800...” (paragraph [0105]) and “a filter having a photocatalyst affixed thereto could be provided to the ventilation passage of the second cooling fan 620” (paragraph [0120]). It is also considered that the photocatalyst is applied to the filter because of reduction of “clogging of the holes on the surface of the filter 612” (paragraph [0114]). Accordingly, Fujimori is silent on the generating of air flow by ionizing air and molecules in the air using an electrode on one side and the drawing of ions generated by the ionization by an electrode on the other side, as claimed.

Based on the foregoing, Fujimori et al. does not identically disclose a projection type video display including all the limitations recited in independent claim 1 within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. §102. Dependent claims 2, 3, 5, and 6 are also patentably distinguishable over Fujimori at least because these claims include all the limitations recited in independent claim 1. Applicants, therefore, respectfully solicit withdrawal of the rejection of the claims and favorable consideration thereof.

Claims 4, 7, and 8 has been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a).

Claim 4 has been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Fujimori in view of Heintz et al.; claims 7/1, 7/2/1, 7/3/1, 7/5/1, 7/6/5/1, 8/1, 8/2/1, 8/3/1, 8/5/1, and 8/6/5/1 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Fujimori in view of Tenney; and claims 7/4/3/1 and 8/4/3/1 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Fujimori in view of Heintz et al., and further in view of Tenney.

The above claims depend from independent claim 1. Applicants, thus, incorporate herein the arguments previously advanced in traversing the rejection of claim 1 under 35 U.S.C. §102 for anticipation evidenced by Fujimori. The Examiner's additional comments and secondary reference to Heintz et al. and Tenney do not cure the previously argued deficiencies in Fujimori. Applicants, therefore, respectfully solicit withdrawal of the rejection of the claims and favorable consideration thereof.

Double Patenting

Claims 1, 3, and 4 have provisionally been rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1 and 7 of copending Application No. 10/944,825. Claims 1 and 3 have also provisionally been rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-3 and 8 of copending Application No. 11/087,736.

Applicants acknowledge, with appreciation, the Examiner's holding these rejections in abeyance in response to Applicants' request in the December 28, 2006 Amendment. Applicants, again, respectfully request that the Examiner hold these rejections in abeyance until allowable subject matter is obtained in either the present application or copending Application Nos. 10/944,825 and 11/087,736.

Conclusion

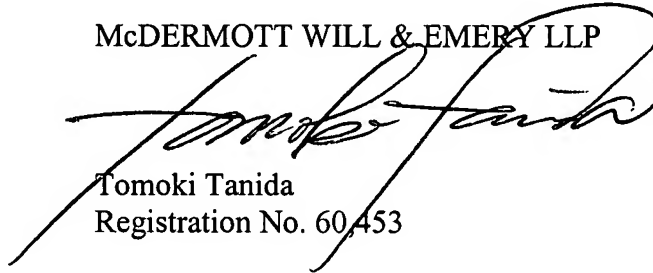
It should, therefore, be apparent that the imposed rejections have been overcome and that all pending claims are in condition for immediate allowance. Favorable consideration is, therefore, respectfully solicited.

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To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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